

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**A. Examiner's Item 1 Objection Under 35 USC 132(a)**

Applicant has cancelled the subject "new matter" in the amended Claims and Specification by removing references to "other connecting means" and "other shaft connecting means." Applicant acknowledges Examiner has full discretion in accepting or denying this Amendment After Final and respectfully requests consideration of the amended Claims and Specification herein since all "new matter" has been removed per Examiner's recommendations. Examiner stated in both August 1, 2006 item 9 and January 31, 2007 Office Actions that Claims 1-11 would be allowable if the "new matter" objections were removed.

B. Examiner's Item 2 Objection to Specification re "Informalities" (a-d)

Examiner correctly noted Applicant's multiple use of differing phrases when referring to the same reference numbers (1, 10, 11, 16 and 17) resulting in unnecessary confusion. Reference No. 1 is now consistently referred to as "forward extending section", 10 as "rearward extending sight line" of Figures 1-3, 11 as "forward extending sight line" of Figures 1-3, 16 as "forwarding extending sight line" of Figures 4-6, and 17 as "rearward extending sight line" of Figures 4-6.

C. Examiner's Item 3 Objection to and Item 4 Approval of the Drawings Under 37 CFR 1.83(a)

Per Examiner's suggestion, Applicant has removed specific "hosel, hole, socket or other shaft connecting means" from the Claims because they were not required and not adequately described in the Drawings and Specification. Removal of the above specific inadequately described shaft to putterhead connections from the Claims should make the December 1, 2006 Replacement Drawings, otherwise approved by the Examiner (Office Action Item 4) acceptable (except for any requirement of post Notice of Allowance Formal Drawings).

D. Rejection of Claims 1-11 Under 35 USC 112, second paragraph

Claims 2-11 were directly or secondarily dependent on Claim 1 which Examiner deemed to be indefinite in that the terms "other shaft connecting means" was indefinite. Amended Claim 1 enclosed removes reference to "a hosel, hole, rod, socket, or other shaft connecting means" and should, therefore, be in a condition for allowance.

Reference in Claims 3, 5 and 6 to "said connecting means" (of Claim 1) have likewise been removed and replaced with the "shaft connection" claimed and described in Claim 1 and the Specification. Claims 3 and 5 also use "forward extending sight line" or "said sight lines" rather than "sight or aim line" for consistency with element reference numbers 10 and 11 per the amended Specification. Other than replacement of "shaft

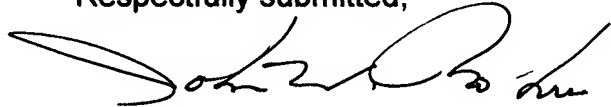
connecting means" as in Claims 3 and 5, Claim 6 is reworded for improved clarity only.

Applicant is willing to accept either language, as Examiner prefers.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully maintains that the amended Claims and Specification now place the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John W. Rohrer", written in a cursive style.

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